Entered July 20, 1977

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 5980 Order No. R-5494

APPLICATION OF KEN BLACKFORD, ET AL., FOR A NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNIT AND AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 6, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 19th day of July, 1977, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Ken Blackford, et al., seeks approval of a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the N/2 NW/4, SW/4 NW/4 and NW/4 SW/4 of Section 24, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line of said Section 24, or at some other as yet undetermined unorthodox location.

(3) That the entire non-standard proration unit may reasonably be presumed productive of gas from the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool and that the entire non-standard gas proration unit can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by the aforesaid well. -2-Case No. 5980 Order No. R-5494

(4) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool comprising the N/2 NW/4, SW/4 NW/4 and NW/4 SW/4 of Section 24, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, is hereby established and dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line of said Section 24, or at some other as yet undetermined unorthodox location.

(2) That should said well be drilled at some other as yet undetermined location, applicant must receive approval for such location from the Commission in accordance with usual procedures for such approval.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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